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- Morty's Moosehead Lounge T-Shirts now available!
- 20th Annual Greek Festival takes place downtown
- **Holocaust Survivor speaks** at the Annual Solomon-Tenenbaum Lectureship in **Jewish Studies**
- Indulge in our wonderful Greek Pasta Recipe

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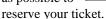
The Producers

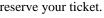
Down on his luck, theatrical producer Max is forced to romance rich old ladies to finance his efforts. When timid accountant Leo reviews Max's books, the two hit upon a way to make a fortune by producing a surefire flop.

The magic and music of The *Producers* is coming to the Koger Center, September 25 and 26. The show begins at 7:30 p.m.

This is the first show among four Broadway hits that will be stopping in Columbia this year. The others include: Jesus Christ Superstar, Rent and Mamma Mia.

Individual tickets go on sale soon, and these shows do sell out quickly! If you're interested, contact the NAC Concierge as soon as possible to





These are four great shows you won't want to miss!

NEW! NAC LOUNGE T-SHIRTS FOR SALE!



Morty's Moosehead Lounge T-Shirts are the perfect souvenir to take home from your trip to the NAC!

Available in sizes Small-3X in the NAC Gift Shop!

Also available on-line at www.nacguest.com

ONLY \$15.00!!!!

20th Annual Greek Festival

The weekend of September 21-24 is the 20th Annual Greek Festival held at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church on Sumter Street.

The festival draws thousands of people from the Midlands as well as other regions of South Carolina.

The gyros, baklava and other wonderful Greek delicacies are available while wandering from tent to tent admiring some of the art, jewelry and more.

Live music has also been a

favorite of this festival for years. Dancers, young and old, perform traditional Greek dances and have everyone clapping and moving to the music.

It's a wonderful way to spend a few hours during the evening or the entire afternoon.

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church is located at 1931 Sumter Street in downtown Columbia.

Hours for the festival are as follows:

Thursday, September 21: 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Friday, September 22: 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Saturday, September 23: 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Sunday, September 24: 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.



The World of Music

With the University of South Carolina in full swing this month, there are many opportunities to hear first-class music.

There are two free performances at the USC School of Music. The first is Tuesday, September 19 with Scott Herring's Percussion Recital. The second is Thursday, September 21 with Russell Malone performing jazz.

Both events take place at the School of Music Recital Hall, Room 206, and have free admission.

Don't miss out on the USC Symphony this month either. Their 2006-2007 season begins with Violinist David Kim performing Bruch's *Scottish Fantasy*. This event will be held on Thursday, September 21 at the Koger Center at 7:30 p.m. Tickets

are \$20.00 for the general public.

The South Carolina Philharmonic also begins their season on Friday, September 8, at the Koger Center. They will be performing *Fantasy for Trombone and Orchestra*, and three other scores. Tickets range from \$12.00 to \$39.00.

There are many wonderful opportunities to hear some of South Carolina's most gifted musicians this month, with everything from free university concerts to the South Carolina Philharmonic.

South Carolina Flag

The state flag of South Carolina was officially adopted in 1861. It has a white crescent and a white palmetto tree on a blue background.

Three white crescents (on a blue background) were first used on a South Carolina banner protesting the Stamp Act in 1765. In 1775, Colonel William Moultrie de-

signed a banner for South Carolina troops; it had a white crescent on a blue field. When South Carolina seceded from the Union, the palmetto tree was added to the flag.

The palmetto tree was chosen because this tree had helped South Carolinians defeat the British in a battle at Sullivan's Island, during the Revolutionary War. The South Carolinians built a fort out of palmetto wood, and when the British fired cannonballs at the fort, instead of knocking it down, the soft palmetto wood absorbed the cannonballs.

South Carolina was the 8th state in the USA; it became a state in 1788.



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Holocaust Survivor Comes to Columbia

Each year, the Religious Studies department at the University of South Carolina holds the Solomon-Tenenbaum Lectureship in Jewish Studies.

This year, the Solomon-Tenenbaum guest speaker is the noted author, journalist and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, Elie Wiesel.

Wiesel was born in 1928 in Sighet, Transylvania, which is now part of Romania. He was fifteen years old when he and his family were deported by the Nazis to Auschwitz. His mother and younger sister perished, his two older sisters survived. Elie and his father were later transported to Buchenwald, where his father died shortly before the camp was liberated in April 1945.

After the war, Elie Wiesel studied in Paris and later became a journalist. During an interview with the distinguished French writer and Nobel laureate, Francois Mauriac, he was persuaded to write about his experiences in the death camps. The result was his internationally ac-

claimed memoir, *Night*, which has since been translated into more than thirty languages.

All tickets have been distributed for the lecture, which will be held at the Koger Center on Tuesday, September 12, at 7:30 p.m. However, it will be broadcast live on closed circuit television at the Colonial Center. Tickets are not required and admission is free

For more information, please contact the NAC Concierge.



"...to remain silent and indifferent is the greatest sin of all..."

USC Transit

The "ShuttleCock," as the Carolina Shuttle has been recently dubbed, serves the university community by transporting students, faculty, staff and visitors throughout campus.

Nine buses serve six colorcoded routes that crisscross the campus.

Five of these buses are brand new, with two funded by the Student Government Association.

Two buses service the three most popular routes.

The Red route covers the Coliseum, Horsehoe, Pendleton Garage, Capstone and the Greek Village. The Blue route runs from the Coliseum to the Coker Life Sciences to the Blatt and then up to the Nursing Building. The Yellow route covers Bates House, Nursing and Catawba Street.

The other three routes are Green, which circles Bates

House, Catawba Street, Coker Life Sciences and Swearingen; AM Express, which runs a loop from the Coliseum to the Law School and then to the Horseshoe; and the North Loop, with stops at 1600 Hampton Street (ITEC), Barnwell Street, Nursing, the National Advocacy Center, and McMaster College.

All buses can be tracked by utilizing the NextBus system, found at the Parking Services Website and at www.nextbus.com.

Global Positioning System trackers in each bus can be accessed from the Website to determine how long of a wait before each bus arrives. This information can also be viewed at some stops, including in the lobby of the National Advocacy Center.

There is typically a 10 to 15 minute wait between shuttles; however, traffic, traffic

lights, trains or other mitigating circumstances can affect shuttle timetables.

The university bases its parking and shuttle plans on the needs, safety and timelines needed for the campus community.

Five shuttles stop at the Coliseum, which is where commuter students are recommended to park. More shuttles stop at the perimeter parking than anywhere on campus, to encourage students to use them.

Currently, about 5,000 people ride the ShuttleCock each school day. If that number continues to rise, more buses will be added to the more popular routes.

Two evening shuttles operate from 6:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., whenever classes are in session for added student safety.

USC Community benefits from the new shuttle routes throughout campus.

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The Saint Louis Gateway Arch is an elegant monument to westward expansion in the USA. Located on the banks of the Mississippi River in St. Louis, Missouri, the 630-foot tall stainless steel arch rises above the city skyline. The Jefferson National Expansion Monument consists of the Gateway Arch, the Museum of Westward Expansion and the St. Louis' Old Courthouse

There was a nationwide competition in 1947-1948 to design a monument in St. Louis honoring western pioneers. Architect Eero Saarinen won the contest with his sleek arch.

Construction began on February 12, 1963, and was finished on October 28, 1965. It was opened to the public on July 24, 967 (after one of the trams was completed). It cost about \$13 million to build.

Visitors enter the arch from an underground center and can travel to the observation desk at the top in a 40-passenger tram that runs inside the arch.

The arch has 60-foot deep foundations. The arch is very stable and was built to withstand high winds and earthquakes. The structure sways about one inch in a 20 mph wind; it is designed to sway up to 18 inches in 150 mph winds.



A beautiful painting of the Gateway Arch was donated to the NAC by the Eastern District of Missouri.



NAC Recipe Greek Style Pasta with Shrimp

Ingredients:

Coarse Salt and Ground Pepper

- 1 Pound Gemelli or Other Short Pasta
- 2 Tablespoons Olive Oil
- 1 Pound Peeled and Deveined Medium Shrimp
- 2 Garlic Cloves, Minced
- 1 1/4 Cups Plain Low-Fat Yogurt
- 1 Tablespoon Fresh Lemon Juice
- 1/2 Cup Loosely Packed Fresh Mint, Coarsely Chopped
- 1/3 Cup Kalamata Olives, Pitted and Coarsely Chopped

To Prepare:

- In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook pasta until al dente, according to package instructions; drain.
- 2. Meanwhile, in a large skillet, heat oil over medium heat. Add half the shrimp; season with salt and pepper. Cook until just opaque throughout, about 3 minutes. Transfer to a large bowl. Repeat with remaining shrimp.
- Add garlic and 2 tablespoons water to skillet and cook until garlic is tender, scraping up any

- bits from bottom of pan, about 2 minutes. Transfer to bowl with shrimp.
- Add pasta, yogurt, lemon juice, mint and olives; season with salt and pepper. Toss to combine.

Serves 6.

Prep time: 15 minutes
Total Time: 20 minutes